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OFFICE OF DEFECTS INVESTIGATION

VIA UP\$ June 4, 2003

Mr. Kenneth N. Weinstein
Associate Administrator for Safety Assurance (NSA-01)
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
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RE: Update Recall Notification Report for the Model Year 2002 Porsche GT2

Dear Mr. Weinstein:

On behalf of Dr. Ing. h.c.F. Porsche AG, Porsche Cars North America, Inc. has enclosed an updated Defect Information report pursuant to the provisions of Part 573 of Title 49 of the Code of Federal Regulations. Please note that we have expanded the recall to include a few additional (16) model year 2002 911 GT2 models.

Should you have any questions or require further information, please do not hesitate to contact me at (770) 290-3627.

Sincerely.

Walter J. Lewis, Manager

Regulatory Affairs

Enclosure

cc: George Person, NHTSA · ODI via facsimile

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### PART 573 Defect and Noncompliance Report

On January 22, 2003, Porsche determined that a noncompliance exists in the motor vehicles listed below, and is furnishing notification to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration in accordance with 49 CFR Part 573 Defect and Noncompliance Reports.

Date this report was prepared:

June 4, 2003

1. Identify the full corporate name of the fabricating manufacturer of the vehicle being recalled. If the recalled vehicle is imported, provide the name and mailing address of the designated agent as prescribed by 49 U.S.C. §30164.

Manufacturer
Dr. Ing. h.c.F. Porsche AG
70435 Stuttgart
Germany

Agent General Counsel Porsche Cars North America, Inc. 980 Hammond Drive Suite 1000 Atlanta, GA 30328

Corporate official, whom the agency should contact with respect to this recall:

Walter J. Lewis Regulatory Affairs Manager

Tel. No: (770) 290-3627 Fax No.: (770) 290-5508

Name of Person who prepared this report:

Walter J. Lewis

Signed



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### PART 573 Defect and Noncompliance Report

Identify the Vehicle Models involved in the Recall

2. Vehicles Involved in the Recall:

Make:

**Porsche** 

Model Year:

2002

Model:

GT2

Production Dates:

October 2, 2002 to March 30, 2003

\*\*\* VIN Ranges:

WP0AB29912S696063

to

WP9AB29902S696118

Vehicle Type:

Passenger Car

Bodystyle:

Two-door coupe (two seater)

Identify the approximate percentage of the production of all the recalled models manufactured by your company between the inclusive dates of manufacture provided above, that the recalled model population represents.

100% of the 2002 GT2's produced during the above production dates are affected by this recall.



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- II. Identify the Recall Population
- 3. Furnish the total number of vehicles recalled potentially containing the defect or noncompliance.

Total Number Potentially Affected by the Recall:

48

4. Approximate percentage of the total number of vehicles above estimated to actually contain the defect or noncompliance:

100%

Identify and describe how the recall population was determined:

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III	Describe	the	Defect	OF N	loncompliance	a

Describe the defect or noncompliance.

The affected vehicles were not equipped with a top tether anchorage as required by FMVSS225 S4.3(b)(3).

Describe the cause of the defect or noncompliance condition.

See above.

Describe the consequence of the defect or noncompliance condition.

Owners who wish to use a Porsche child restraint with the air bag deactivation device requiring a top tether in the front passenger seat cannot correctly install the seat due to the lack of the top tether anchorage.

Identify any warning, which can (a) precede or (b) occur.

#### Not applicable.

Identify the supplier by corporate name and address, and the name and title of the chief executive officer or knowledgeable representative of the supplier:

Not Applicable.

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- IV. Provide the Chronology in Determining the Defect/Noncompliance
- 6. With respect to a defect, furnish a chronological summary (including dates) of all the principle events that were the basis for the determination of the defect. The summary should include, but not be limited to, the number of reports, accidents, injuries, fatalities, and warranty claims.

Not applicable.

7. With respect to a noncompliance, identify and provide the test results or other data (in chronological order and including dates) on which the noncompliance was determined.

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#### V. Identify the Remedy

Furnish a description of the manufacturer's remedy for the defect or noncompliance.Clearly describe the differences between the recall condition and the remedy.

The affected vehicles will be recalled to the workshop and have a tether anchorage installed. Please refer to the attached draft Campaign Information bulletin for the exect repair procedure.

Clearly describe the distinguishing characteristics of the remedy component/assembly versus the recalled component/assembly.

#### Not applicable.

Identify and describe how and when the recall condition was corrected in production. If the production remedy was identical to the recall remedy in the field, so state. If the product was discontinued, so state.

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#### VI. Identify the Recall Schedule

Furnish a schedule or agenda (with specific dates) for notification dealers and purchasers.

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#### VII. Furnish Recall Communications

9. Furnish a final copy of all notices, bulletins, and other communications that relate directly to the defect or noncompliance and which are sent to more than one manufacturer, distributor, or purchaser. This includes all communications (including both original and follow-up) concerning this recall from the time your company determines the defect or noncompliance condition on, not just the initial notification.

Please refer to the attached Campaign Information bulletin for the exact repair procedure. Page 4 of the bulletin contains a sample customer notification letter.

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	911 GT2 (996)		

#### Attention:

Child Seat Top Tether

#### Sales Manager, Service Manager, Parts Manager, Service Technician

This is to inform you of a voluntary Customer Service Campaign Action involving a certain range of 2002 model year 911 GT2 (996) vehicles.

Porsche AG, the manufacturer, initiated a voluntary Customer Campaign involving certain 911 GT2 (996) vehicles that will require the installation of the top tether anchorage bracket to the rear shelf. Parsche has concluded that the upper mounting bracket for the child sest top bether is missing from some of the GT2 vehicles.

Porsche Owners who wish to use a Porsche child restraint in conjunction with the air bag deactivation device requiring a top tether in the front passenger seat cannot correctly install the child seat due to the lack of the top tether anchorage.

In order to remedy this condition, an anchorage bracket will be attached to the rear shelf with special high strength rivets.

A total of 48 U.S. vehicles fall within the scope of this recall campaign.

Very important: Use the VIN range below as a general guideline. Please ensure that this (A303): Customer Campaign is performed together with Customer Campaign A207 while the vehicle is in your workshop. All the vehicles in the below range listing may be affected by both the A207 and A303 Customer Campaigns. The VIN can be checked in the Porsche e-DCS/WWS for confirmation of all open recall campaigns. Refer To Attachment "A" to determine if a particular vehicle is eligible for this Customer Campaign.

The affected Vehicle Identification Numbers are contained in the following VIN-Range:

#### US Vehicles:

WPQAB29912S595063 to WPQAB29902S695118

#### Customer Notification:

Porsche Cars North America, Inc., will notify All Owners of affected vehicles by First Class Mail during the week of May 12, 2003. See enclosed copy of the Recall Notification card to the Porsche Owner. A listing of affected VINs (with owner name and addresses) will be sent to you.

Work Procedure:

See Attachment "B"

Parts Information: Part Number

Qty. Description

000 043 204 70

Anchor Bracket for Top Tether

N/A

High strength pop rivets supplied with rivet gun

Obtaining loaner tools, see Work Procedure, page 5.

Tools:

Time Allowance:

Time Units

110

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Administrative Procedure: See attachment "C"

Following completion of the recall, please enter this information into the Maintenance Booklet (see sample below).

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Rolf Seiferhald Manager, Technical Service

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#### Customer Notification Card

#### **Customer Campaign Notice**

#### Coar Pornche Owner:

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If your Prenche cleaky its markle to perform this repair within a removable period of time, you may call or write:

Poroche Care Harth America, Inc. S&D Hammond Drive, Subs 1000 Atlanta, Georgia 90329

niller: Carlomar Commisment Telephone: 1- (500) - Portiche (1.800 757-7243)

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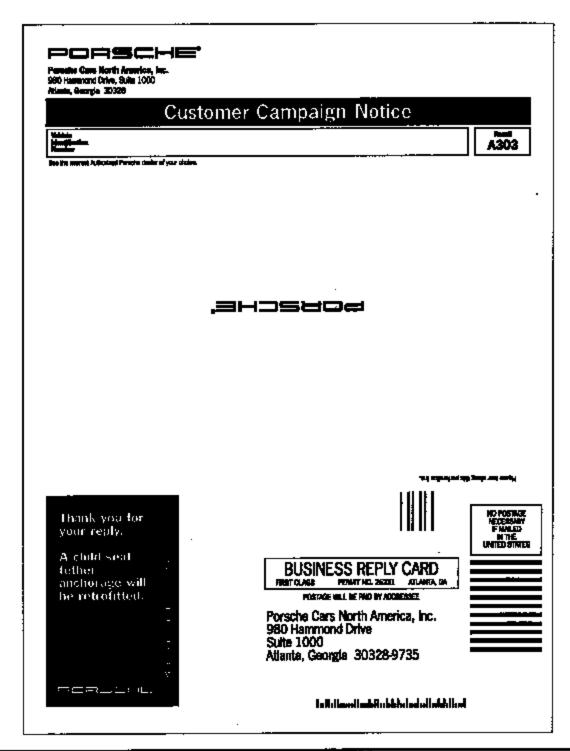
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#### **Customer Netification Card**



## Campaign Information

#### Attachment "B"

#### information:

Please note the following points before starting the work.

Check to see if the vehicle is part of the A207 customer campaign.

- We must coordinate the usage of the special riveting tool between all dealers. Please follow the procedure listed below to obtain the tool.
- Schedule multiple customers in your AOR at the same time.

#### Tools:

90 degree angle drill Drill bit - 3/16°

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Drill stop

Automatic center punch

Special rivet tool with Instructions\* Rubber protective sleeve for rivet tool\*

Mounting template\*

Supplied by PCNA Technical Service

#### Tool Ordering:

To ensure a seamless repair to the customer, please follow the instructions listed below.

- After the customer makes initial contact, e-mail PCNA at Recall\_Administrator@porechecars.com for the special riveting tool prior to making the customer appointment.
- Indicate on the e-mail the vehicles VIN, Customer Name, Contact (Ship-to) Name, Dealer Number and if the vehicle is involved in the A207 campaign.
- 3. PCNA will determine when the tool will be available and e-mail you back. The e-mail will contain the date the rivet tool will arrive.
- After you receive the e-mail response from PCNA (within 48 hours), make the customer's appointment.
- The tool (and safety compliance sticker if applicable) will automatically be sent to you on the date indicated in the e-mail. Please note: The safety compliance sticker must reflect the correct VIN to be affixed to the door.
- 6. You will be allowed to keep the riveting tool for a maximum of 4 business days before returning it to PCNA. In some cases, you may be instructed to send the tool over night directly to the next dealer who needs it.



#### Caution!

#### Do not use the special rivet gun before reading the manual supplied with it

> Observe the operating specifications and instructions for the proper use of this tool.

> Only operate the rivet gun with the rubber guard installed. This will prevent the accidental breakage of the rear window.

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Work Procedure:

- Lift the rear cover (Figure 1, Item A) up and out. Unclip the rear roof Ining (Item B) towards the front and lift the rear wall lining out.
- Position the template on the right skie, behind the passanger front seat. See figure 2, number 1 on page 8.
   Note: There are additional pictures at the end of this bulletin for clarification.
- 3. Lay the anchoring bracket on top of the template and ensure alignment on rear shelf. See figure 2, number 2.
- 4. Mark the hole positions to be drilled.

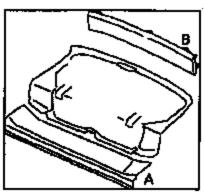


Figure 1

- 5. Remove the template and bracket then center punch the marked positions.
- 6. Drill the holes using an angle drill with a 3/16th drill bit. Set the drill stop to 5mm.
- Deburt the holes and apply primer and paint to the exposed hole surface. You must ensure that the holes are clean and free from filings.
- 8. Position and insert the rivets through the bracket and the rear shelf.



#### Caution!

Damage or breakage of the rear window can occur if the nubber guard is not fitted to the rivet gun. Observe the following points when using the gun.

- > Only use the Magna-Loc rivets contained in the installation kit. Usage of any other rivet can cause personal injury.
- > Before using the riveting tool, read the Huck Fasteners instruction manual supplied with the gun.
- Install the nubber guard on the back of the rivet gun. See arrow in the 4th step located in figure 2.
- Install (workshoo supplied) air fitting to the air hose of the rivet gun.
- Set the air pressure supplied to the rivet gun to 90 psl.
- 12. Rivet in the too tether bracket.

**Note:** Make sure the rivets are installed and riveted correctly the first time. It will be very difficult to remove the rivets after the riveting process is completed. You will only be supplied with the 3 rivets that are required for assembly.

- 18. If the customer plans to install a child seat, a carpet flap must be cut out in the area of the tether anchor. Refer to bulletin 1/01. "Child Seat With Top Tether Attachment Straps" for the procedure. Note: Ask the customer if he/she wants the flap cut in the carpeting before performing this operation.
- 14. Reinstall the carpet, rear wall liner and the rear roof lining.

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Work Procedure: (cont'd)

- 15. Enter the customer campaign in the Maintenance Book.
- 16. Send the Template, Huck Fasteners Instruction Book, and Rivet tool to either the next dealer or PCNA at this address:

Porsche Cars North America, Inc. 980 Hammond Drive, Suite 1000 Atlanta, GA. 30328

Attn: Recall Administrator

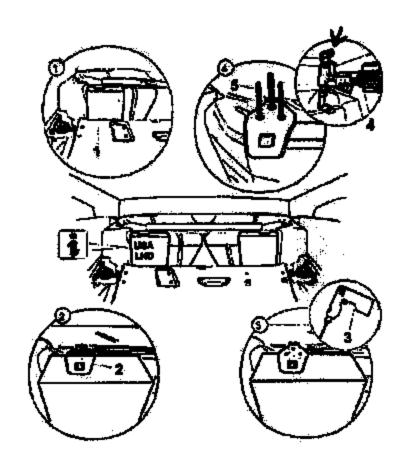


Figure 2



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## Campaign Information

Attachment "C"

Administrative Procedure, Customer Action A303

Warranty claims should be submitted via e-DCS

Note: Always check for open recall status under the appropriate e-DCS menu options.

Affected VINs:

See customer notification page

Warranty Code:

Damage Code:

A303 099 000 1 (for A303)

Labor Operation:

Will be automatically inserted along with the necessary parts when the damage code is entered.

Repair Code:

1

Time Units:

110 TU

installing the anchorage bracket for child seat top tether.

> includes removing rear panels.

> Does not include cutting the flap in the carpet panel.

Parts Information: Part Number

Oty.

Description

000 043 204 70

1 Top tether anchor

N/A

3 . High strength pop rivets supplied with rivet gun

In cases where the recall cannot be performed, submit this information on a claim via e-DCS with the appropriate disposition code by inserting the code in the last digit of the damage code, as shown bellow.

#### Disposition/Repair Code

- 3 Total Loss
- 4 Vehicle Stolen
- B Vehicle left North America
- 6 Customer Moved/address unknown
- 7 Vehicle sold, new owner Information
- 9 Customer refused to comply

#### Owner Name and Address Change

If the owner name and address are shown incorrectly, submit a correction using the name/address postcard from the Warranty Maintenance Booklet (or Recall mailing), or report the change to the Warranty Department via e-DCS, including VIN.